

Boston Thursday
July 27th

Dear Luena,

Your kind letter
is just rec'd. It is as I feared about
funerals on Nantucket. We rec'd a letter
yesterday offering \$75.00 to Red-
burn, as our agent on the Western
Track. I hoped Luena Hopper might have
got as much but my fears, it seems,
were true prophets ~~than~~ ^{my} hopes.

Thank James S. Gibbons for his kind-
ness about ^{calling on} Grinnell & Minton, &
for his kind letter. It contained no news
to me. The attempt ^{at} ~~to~~ the Annual
Meeting ^{to follow for, &} to stop this job, by enabling
us to call for money in our own
names, was prevented by the misunderstan-
ding as to the affair. I sympathize with you
being called to sit in such a chair as

the one you are about to occupy
trifling as are the mere ^{unavoidable} events of
his pilgrimage to a man, yet even
in a single minor one, I cannot but
sympathize with any one on whom
the blame of former events will be
laid by the mobserment & unthinking.
It will not be your fault if the
Standard stops, but it will be said
to be. It will not be your fault if
the Am. Soc. has in December the
next May, ~~but~~ it will be said that
it is. Tell my dear Mrs Thela (that
is if you think best) that Mr Gibbons
tells me "it is evident that no one cares
for the Am Soc nor gives it a thought."
Why should it be expected, when for a
whole year, its organ ~~labored~~ ^{did} to give the
idea that it was unimportant if not
rather mischievous in a small way, & tyrannous
to last? I shall go over in thought, the

whole ground of ^{the} happy I may ^{the} think of some yet unknown way of ^{the} raising money. - This is an instrument ^{too} costly - too effectual & too dear - ^{too} indispensable ^{of} constructed as were the walls of Jerusalem with tears & prayer & blood - consecrated in love & memory by the sainted hands that spent their last gasp upon it - to be lightly yielded up. The last effort & it might have been a successful one - we made. Ask James to give you our letters to his committee to read. Tell him that all expressed in his to me ^{just rec'd} was as well known to us ^a year ^{& a half} ago as now. Assure him of my cordial regard & utmost exertions. Garrison - Wendell - Edmund - Ellis - are all out of town & the same thing about of town, but James Jackson was with me when the letter arrived, & I showed it to him. He will be thinking. But I doubt whether ^{effectual} relief will appear. ^{This} ^{letter} I am almost afraid Collins was very ill in visit the last time we heard, he raised the last

to send but to operate as a discouragement. But I know your strong
good heart. One word of doing justice
to the Whigs for their services to the cause

Daria Lee Child
N. York

I. J. Nothin definite can
be said or done, till we get
the official communications
from Washington, so about
to come. M.W.C.

would have a bad effect now, for it
would imply that their way of serving it
was real service. But justice to them as
I understand would be a presentation of
their inequities of their whole thing.
God bless & guide you all. From
your friend M.W.C.